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Title: MELUSIN, A MUSCLE SPECIFIC PROTEIN, AS A DRUG TARGET FOR PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF HEART FAILURE

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER**

This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon.

☐ **Correspondence Address Indication Form Attached.****Fees are attached as calculated below:**

Total effective claims after amendment 39 minus highest number  
previously paid for 39 (at least 20) = 0 x \$50.00 \$0.00 (1202)/\$0.00 (2202) \$

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If proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, (ignore improper); add  
\$360.00 (1203)/\$180.00 (2203) \$

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☐ Applicant claims "small entity" status. ☐ Statement filed herewith

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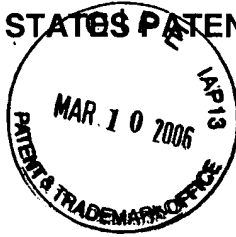
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

March 10, 2006

**Mail Stop Amendment**

Hon. Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the pending Office Action mailed January 11, 2006, entry and consideration of the following amendments and remarks are respectfully requested.

The **claims** are presented on pages 2-6.

Claims 1, 4-5, 12-16, 18-19, 23, 27-29 and 32-38 are amended.

**Remarks** begin on page 7.